

RESOLUTION NO. 21-03

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE ODOT ROAD SALT CONTRACTS AWARDED IN 2021,

John Michael moved, and Joel Morris seconded to approve Resolution No. 21-03. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 21-05

AN ORDINANCE TO MAKE THE PERMANENT APPROPRIATIONS FOR CURRENT EXPENSES AND OTHER EXPENDITURES OF THE VILLAGE OF LEESBURG, STATE OF OHIO, DURING THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2021.

Rita Smith-Daulton moved, and Richard Tolle seconded to approve Ordinance No. 21-05. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chairman Joel Morris, of the finance Committee, reported the committee met on Tuesday, March 16, 2021. Those present were Chris Runyon, Blythe Pelham, Joel Morris, and Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss 2021 Appropriations. The Committee recommended that appropriations be approved. (See Ordinance No. 21-05)

V. REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS:

Report of Police Chief Shane Nolley:

Chief Shane Nolley reported for the month of February 2021, there were 237 calls for service. Hours worked were as followed: Chief Nolley-152 regular, 8 overtime; Officer Dawson-152 regular, 21 overtime; Officer Thompson – 75 regular, 19.75 overtime; Officer Bunner-152 regular, 8 overtime. There were 3 Traffic Crash Reports, and 8 Offense Reports. Arrest Information: Arrests - 0, Traffic Citations - 4, and Warning Citations - 11. Police vehicle information: Unit 1 - 2017 Police Interceptor – 1,310 miles driven, Unit 2 - 2020 Police Interceptor – 341 miles driven, Unit 3 - 2015 Police Interceptor – 207 miles driven. Repairs: \$0 and Training: \$0.

Additional Information from Chief Nolley:

- The Police Department has 108 active case reports.
- The departments total reports received for the month of February 2021 were 8 reports, a decrease of 2 reported from February 2020.

Report of Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans:

- Passed around monthly reports and credit card statement for Council to sign.
- Requested leak adjustment for Mr. Ron Barber. The Barber's have had a leak since last August and they have attempted to fix the leak several times. The line had to be replaced in March. The Barber's were given a leak adjustment last year, but Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans explained this situation was a unique situation because the Barbers produced reports from contractors that attempted to fix the leak that was never found. Only after replacing the entire line was the problem corrected. Mr. Barber's bill has been doubled on several occasions since the start of the leak. After discussion, Council agreed on an adjustment for their highest bill, which was \$104.35, and the adjusted amount can be credited on the next month's bill.

*John Michael moved, and Richard Tolle seconded to approve a utility adjustment for Mr. Ron Barber. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.

- Informed Council that some of the Veterans Banners that were just purchased were already falling apart and could not be displayed another summer. Council requested a letter be sent to the families of the damaged banners to ask them if they wanted to purchase a new banner to hang in its place.
- Requested the Fiscal and Utility offices be closed on April 20, and April 21 to complete the approved record disposal for those two offices. After discussion, Council agreed it was okay, but no vote was taken.

Report of Utility/Streets Department from Administrator Worley:

- Repaired a big water leak at Mason Fence.
- Ordered and installed 2 heat blankets for the SBR gates.
- Replaced hydraulic pump on the snowplow.
- Suggested the Village request for the County Shopper to not be delivered. A huge majority of the residents do not pick them up and they are littering up the town.
- Read the water meters twice due to the weather.

Report of Regional Income Tax Association (RITA):

- Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans reported that \$ 71,706.65 was collected for the month of February 2021.

Report of Mayor Shawn C. Priest:

- Informed Council there will be a Graduation Parade for the senior class of 2021 on Friday, May 21, 2021 after the graduation ceremony. In addition, the Village will be hanging up the Senior Banners again this year and will be taking them down on May 14th to hang the Veterans Banners by Memorial Day.
- Informed Council we will hopefully be getting a new business in the Industrial Park soon that will bring 30 new jobs to our Village.
- County Commissioners are setting up an Economic Development Program in the coming months.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- Regarding the tornado siren - Mayor Priest informed Council that Representative Wilkin is looking for a grant to help us with the cost.
- Regarding abandoned properties – Mayor Priest stated Charlie Anderson’s father took over his properties and will hopefully have them sold soon. And the Village will start on the nuisance properties this spring. In addition, Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans stated she sent the names, addresses and parcel numbers to the nuisance properties identified in the last meeting for Solicitor Beery to contact. Solicitor Beery stated he has already sent out the letters to the property owners.
- Regarding the grocery store – Mayor Priest stated she spoke with attorney Thomas Merry from Chase Bank and they are starting the foreclosure process on Christina DeBold.

VII. OTHER BUSINESS

- Council women Rita Smith-Daulton asked why we are paying PCI (our electrician) a 4-hour minimum and expressed her concern that the hours

being charged are not being controlled. Administrator Kenny Worley stated he is watching this and working on the issue.

- Administrator Kenny Worley asked for his gas limit of 44 gallon a month be removed and for Council to allow him to receive gas as needed. Currently, Administrator Worley stated there is no Village vehicle for him to use and he is putting excessive miles on his vehicle and the 44 gallon a month is not enough gas to cover all his mileage. After discussion, Council agreed to this providing Administrator Worley keeps a list of his trips/mileage monthly and the amount of gas that he is using from the village supply.

*Blythe Pelham moved, and Chris Runyon seconded to remove the 44-gallon limit along with the terms listed above. Roll call vote 4-2 with Joel Morris abstaining and Richard Tolle voting no. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Council set a Finance Committee Meeting for Wednesday, March 7, 2021 at 6:00 PM to discuss Storm Sewer Drains. Blythe Pelham, Committee Chair asked Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans if she could call around some of the surrounding villages and see how they are funding storm sewer repairs.
- Richard Tolle moved, and Joel Morris seconded to adjourn at 7:49 PM. Roll call vote 6-0. Motion carried.